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...and associated molecules through the pores in a barrier, defined in the novelty, where sufficient electrical potential is applied across

are selected and the penetrants and/or agents are provided with

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the barrier...

- ...of molecules through pores, and across barriers, and is especially used to transport drugs or **therapeutic** agents through the skin of humans and other mammals (claimed...
- ...The figure shows the time dependence of material and vesicle transport across a barrier with an applied electrical potential difference of 1.2 V which gives rise to the trans-barrier electrical current of... Technology Focus:
- Preferred components: The average diameter, kind and amount of electrical charges and/or the adaptability of the electrically charged penetrants or the charged associations of penetrant and agent are selected...
- ...form of minute fluid droplets surrounded by a membrane-like coating of one or several layers of at least two kinds or forms of amphiphilic substances with a tendency to aggregate...
- ...density on a droplet is 0.05-0.5, most preferably 0.10-0.35 **Coulomb** /square meter. The weight amount of droplets in formulations for use on human or animal...
- ...Preferred **method**: Sufficient **electric potential** is applied across the barrier to effect the electrically driven transport of penetrants and associated...
- ...ensure that most of the resulting electrical current will flow across the barrier. The applied **electrical potential** value is chosen to be below 30V/cm2, most preferably below 10 V/cm2 of the barrier surface. The current driven across the barrier by the applied **electrical potential** is in the physiologically tolerable range, typically below 2 mA/cm2, most preferably up to...
- ...permeants across the barrier. The transportation rate, is determined as a function of the applied **electrical potential** or of the **electrical** current across the barrier and the function found is used to optimize the preparation or...repeated use are employed to control the polarity, magnitude and/or time-dependence of applied **electric potential**. Different treatment areas are selected to control the transport. The barrier is pre-treated, by a non-occlusive application of suitable penetrants on the **modifiable** barrier, especially formed by human or animal skin, to increase the number or width of...
- ...Preferred conductor: The electrically conductive material on or of the electrodes comprises at least one metal, selected from precious metals such as silver and palladium and/or biocompatible salts or chemical complexes of these metals, preferably biocompatible chlorides, especially silver chloride...
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Healing and antimicrobial dressing with conductive metal layer

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Healing and antimicrobial dressing with conductive metal layer

Abstract (Basic):

- ... Dressing for promoting healing and pain relief, having a layer or layers of conductive material next to the pathological area, to alter the local electrodynamic flow processes and promote beneficial effects.
- Dressing for promoting healing and pain relief of the body of a living organism having a pathological condition, comprising at least one layer of conductive material having a resistance no greater than 1000 ohms /sq.cm, and which, when placed next to a portion of the body affected by the condition, alters the electrodynamic processes induced by the condition, to provide the above beneficial effects; optionally also having an antimicrobial effect by diffusion of the conductive material into the affected area...
- ... Antimicrobial ; i.e., antibacterial ; antifungal ; antiinflammatory;
 analgesic .
 ...
- ...Electrical actions occur in the tissue at a site of trauma; these cause migration of antimicrobial ions, particularly silver, from the material into the trauma. Further, the antimicrobial environment diminishes microbial caused inflammation and pain. Second, by separating the conductive layers by nonconductive, a capacitative field for the injury current is established, also reducing pain and promoting healing.
- ... The primary use of the device is to **promote** wound healing; examples and extensions are abrasions, lacerations, puncture wounds , skin tears, dermal ulcers (vascular, venous, pressure, and diabetic), burns including sun burns, after surgical incisions, dentistry, or traumatic amputations , and as an external post labor and delivery vaginal pad . It can also be used as a wound drain. The antibacterial, antifungal, and analgesic properties are also mentioned; the last of value for scars, sprains and strains. The device can be manufactured in various forms; bandage strip, wrap, pad, or butterfly form, multilayer island and strip composite dressing, skin or teeth and gum covering , vaginal, rectal, nasal, and otitic canal suppository, feminine or baby napkin or insert, shoe orthotic, brace or brassiere liners , and catheter sheaths, as required for the above purposes...
- ...galvanic cell, as in prior art. The device is easy to replace and keeps the wound clean, moist, and with access to air, all promoting healing, without the need to wash off old creams or the like in replacement...
- ...The dressing (110) is multilayer, with conductive (114), absorbent (116), semipermeable (118) and tape (112) layers. The dressing is shown laid on the skin (5) with epidermis (7) overlying the dermis (9), with their various sub-layers, at the junction (11), together with a

wound as the space (19). Epidermal electrical sources (29) are shown conventionally, with the point of maximum resistance and potential drop shifted from point (39) to the lower point (37), accelerating healing.

Technology Focus:

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- metal; suitable metals are silver, gold, aluminium, nickel, tin, stainless steel, platinum, and copper, notably silver. particularly silver. Alloys include aluminium with copper or magnesium, copper with gold, nickel, or palladium, gold or silver with palladium, gold and silver, iron and nickel, and ferromanganese. The metal can either be used as such for the layer, or as a coating on non-conductive material; examples are cotton, wool, silk, rayon, glass wool, or polymer (see below). The conductive layer can also be a carbon composite or silicon matrix containing metal particles. The materials can also be used uncoated to provide non-conductive fibres.
- ...Preferred materials: The conductive layer can also be a conductive polymer or elastomer. Additional non-conductive layer materials (see above) are acrylic and thermoplastic polymers, e.g. nylon. These are used as the inorganic materials, to be coated to provide conductive, or left uncoated as non-conductive fibres for admixture...

... TEXTILES AND PAPER...

... Preferred Process: The material is flexible; in the form of fibres , which are either spun into filaments and formed into fabrics , or matted as a felt, all to be semi-permeable. Optionally, the conductive material can be as a plurality of plies of silvered fabric as above, with the plies in electrical contact with each other; or as a mixture of uncoated and conductor coated fibres . These multilayers either have uniform distribution, or more preferably have a metallised gradient, so that the highest ratio of metallised fibres is at the site of trauma , e.g., a wound . A triple layer , as a laminated structure, is exemplified in a claim. Typical ratios metallised/nonmetallised fibres are from 1:100 to 1:1, more preferably 1:50 to 1:4, most preferably 1:20 to 1:4. A typical diameter is 1-30, more preferably 2-8, most preferably about 3 denier. Preferred Product: Absorptive and/or semipermeable layers may be affixed to the conductive layer , the former to control exudate, etc., while still retaining moisture at the site, and the latter to provide gas permeability, recognised as important in healing . A typical product, to be used as a dressing , and its induction of electrical changes , is shown in the figure; the parts are explained at the end, under Description of Drawings. As a coating method , silver is applied to the fabric by an autocatalytic electrodeless plating deposition process.

Extension Abstract:

plated nylon (SPN) and nonmetallic rayon (NMR) fibres, in 3 layers:
(a) all 15 denier SPN; (b) 25% 3 denier SPN with 75% 3 denier NMR, 2 oz. fabric; and (c) 5% 3 denier SPN with 95% NMR, 8 oz. fabric. A standard antibacterial zone inhibition test on agar was set up with samples of the dressing material, using broth cultures of E. coli, P. aeruginosa, E. faecalis, and S. aureus, running 72...

...All plates showed zones of inhibition; they were larger than the zones with single layer SPN. The examples also detail treatment and healing of a number of clinical cases.

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Treating area of mammalian skin with ozone-containing gas - produced from hand-held apparatus containing high- voltage generator to create ozone-containing gas directed through nozzle towards skin, useful for e.g. acne, arthritis and wounds

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- ... produced from hand-held apparatus containing high- voltage generator to create ozone-containing gas directed through nozzle towards skin, useful for e.g. acne, arthritis and wounds
- ...Abstract (Basic): hand-held apparatus generates the gas using a coronising electrode. It contains an electrically driven **compressor** or pump which provides gas at a pressure to the electrode and drives it after...
- ...useful for treating a human ailment such as acne, psoriasis, planter facitis, impetigo, ulcus cruris, wounds in diabetic patients, arthritis, bursitis, burns, tendovaginitis, herpes simplex, tendosinovitis, herpes zoster, sinusitis, warts and atopic dermatitis, or animal ailments such as arthritis, tendovaginitis, wounds, lick granuloma and excessive granulation (all claimed...
- ...stream onto a small affected body area for treatment, without carrying ozone onto the surrounding **healthy skin**. The apparatus is of a portable light weight and small dimension, permitting its positioning in...
- ...the administering personnel from being exposed to the danger of contact with parts carrying high voltage. The method is relatively simple and economical and can readily be used by any clinic, medical officer

... Title Terms: VOLTAGE ;

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Human ear treatment with modulated electric field - using lateral dielectric probes with conducting plate connected to voltage generator of modulated signal whose amplitude is adjustable

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Inventor: POISSON C

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Human ear treatment with modulated electric field...

- ...using lateral dielectric probes with conducting plate connected to voltage generator of modulated signal whose amplitude is adjustable
- ... Abstract (Basic): The appts. includes a **voltage** generator (1) that delivers at its output a triangular signal (U). The signal amplitude and period can be **adjusted**. A conductor (2) connects the generator output to a pair of probes (39 that have...
- ...end and defined by lateral walls (5) and a bottom (6) made of a dielectric material. The bottom external surra) surface is covered by a circular conductive plate (7) covered by a protection (8) that can be screwed in a threaded recess...
- ...extremities of an arch. The internal surface of the probe bottom is covered by a **film** (11) completely transparent to white light. A protective rubber sheath (12) covers the probe and...
- ...ADVANTAGE Balances electric potential on ear surface. Allows insulation from external electrostatic influences and removes pathological symptoms. (10pp Dwg.No.1/6)

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Treatment apparatus for wound , includes thermally- conductive bandage , heater, and attachment device

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Treatment apparatus for wound , includes thermally- conductive bandage , heater, and attachment device

Abstract (Basic):

- A wound -treatment apparatus comprises a thermally- conductive bandage; a heater in contact with the bandage over a wound -treatment area; and an attachment device for maintaining contact between the heater and bandage.
- conductive bandage (102) and a heater (108). The bandage has first and second surfaces, with the first surface defining a wound -treatment area corresponding to a wound site (116) on a person's skin (118). The heater is used to maintain a temperature at the wound -treatment area. It is in contact with the second surface of the bandage over the wound -treatment area. An attachment device (114) is disposed between the heater and second surface of the bandage for retaining the heater on the bandage.

... For use in treating wounds .

... The inventive apparatus conveniently treats wound with heat therapy for a prolonged period, while allowing patient mobility. It is easy to

operate without impacting...

- ... The figure is an isometric view of the inventive wound -treatment apparatus applied to a wound on a person's body...
- ... Bandage (102...
- ... Wound site (116...
- \dots Electrical resistance element (124

Technology Focus:

Preferred Components: The second surface of the bandage comprises a flexible polymeric film. A layer of gauze, hydrogel, and hydrocolloids may be affixed to the polymeric layer. The heater includes a pouch, and water, chemically-reactive material and/or phase-change salt located within the pouch for generating heat. The heater may comprise a flexible layer and electrical resistance element (124) embedded in the flexible layer. The heater and bandage are flexible. The attachment device is a double-sided tape comprising a flexible polymeric film, and first and second adhesive layers disposed on respective first and second surfaces of the polymeric film. The attachment device comprises adhesive regions sized and spaced from one another so that the...

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60/3,K/5 DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2005 Thomson Derwent. All rts. reserv. 013204463 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 2000-376336/200032 XRAM Acc No: C00-113768 XRPX Acc No: N00-282626 Electrode, for medication administration, wound - healing , bio-signal reception or electrostimulation device has resistive intermediate layer and electrochemical interface layer layer between conductive Patent Assignee: LHD LAB HYGIENE & DIETETIQUE (LHDH-N); IOMED INC (IOME-N) Inventor: MAILLEY P A N; MCADAMS E T; MIKLER C; ZHOU D M; MULLER P A N Number of Countries: 091 Number of Patents: 009 Patent Family: Patent No Kind Date Applicat No Kind Date Week WO 200027467 20000518 Α1 WO 99FR2726 19991108 200032 Α В 20000512 FR 2785544 Α1 FR 9814072 Α 19981109 200032 AU 200010530 Α 20000529 AU 200010530 Α 19991108 200041 EP 1128867 Α1 20010905 EP 99954082 Α 19991108 200151 WO 99FR2726 19991108 Α AU 742396 В 20020103 AU 200010530 19991108 Α 200209 JP 2002529158 W 20020910 WO 99FR2726 Α 19991108 200274 JP 2000580693 Α 19991108 US 6731987 В1 20040504 WO 99FR2726 Α 19991108 200430 20020425 US 2002831318 Α EP 1128867 В1 20050126 EP 99954082 Α 19991108 200510 WO 99FR2726 Α 19991108 DE 69923468 E 20050303 DE 99623468 Α 19991108 200517 EP 99954082 19991108 Α WO 99FR2726 Α 19991108 Priority Applications (No Type Date): FR 9814072 A 19981109 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes WO 200027467 A1 F 23 A61N-001/04 Designated States (National): AE AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY CA CH CN CR CU CZ DE DK DM EE ES FI GB GD GE GH GM HR HU ID IL IN IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LC LK LR LS LT LU LV MA MD MG MK MN MW MX NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT TZ UA UG US UZ VN YU ZA ZW Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW NL OA PT SD SE SL SZ TZ UG ZW FR 2785544 Α1 A61N-001/04 AU 200010530 Α Based on patent WO 200027467 EP 1128867 A1 F A61N-001/04 Based on patent WO 200027467 Designated States (Regional): AL AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI LT LU LV MC MK NL PT RO SE SI AU 742396 В A61N-001/04 Previous Publ. patent AU 200010530 Based on patent WO 200027467 JP 2002529158 W 21 A61N-001/04 Based on patent WO 200027467 US 6731987 B1 A61N-001/04 Based on patent WO 200027467 EP 1128867 B1 F A61N-001/04 Based on patent WO 200027467 Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH CY DE DK ES FI FR GB GR IE IT LI

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Electrode, for medication administration, wound - healing, bio-signal reception or electrostimulation device has resistive intermediate layer between conductive layer and electrochemical interface layer

Based on patent EP 1128867

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Abstract (Basic):

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- electrode for current transfer through a patient's skin comprises a chemically inert and electrically **resistive** intermediate **layer** (6) between a **conductive layer** (5) for current supply to or collection from the skin and a consumable electrochemical interface layer (7).
- Used in an iontophoretic transdermal medication administration device, an electric wound - healing device, a human or animal bio-signal reception device or a transdermal muscular electrostimulation device...
- ... The intermediate layer imparts increased mechanical stability and electrochemical capacity (at least 168 micro-A.minute/cm2) than prior art electrodes to provide a lifetime compatible with the duration of therapeutic treatment using the electrode...
- ... Substrate (4...
- ... Conductive layer (5...
- ...Intermediate layer (6...
- ... Electrochemical interface layer (7...
- ...Insulating layer (8 Technology Focus:
- Preferred device: The intermediate layer (6) comprises a 1-100 (preferably 5-10) mum thick layer of fine carbon particles dispersed in a polymeric binder and exhibits anisotropic resistivity. The electrode also has a skin-contacting ion conductive layer (3) comprising a hydrophilic layer which is dry and non-conductive on application to a wound but which becomes conductive on wound seepage or which is made conductive with water and mineral salts before application. The edges of the layers (5, 6, 7) are covered with an insulating layer (8...
- ... The conductive layer (5) is in the form of a silver grid applied to an insulating substrate (4). The electrochemical interface layer (7) comprises **silver** or a **silver** / **silver** chloride mixture comprising 40-80 (preferably 60-70) wt.% AgCl and 60-20 (especially 40-30) wt.% Ag Title Terms: WOUND ;

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Iontophoretic device for applying pharmaceutical to patient via skin - has electrode with varying resistance to protect more sensitive areas of skin

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Inventor: GROSS J; NITZAN Z; TSALS I

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- .. has electrode with varying resistance to protect more sensitive areas of skin
- ...Abstract (Basic): An electrode for use in an iontophoretic device comprises a flexible member with integral electrically conductive material so that it exhibits varied electrical resistance. The iontophoretic device includes a pair of these electrodes spaced apart. Electrical current is introduced...
- ...The flexible member is paper with a polymer backing in contact with the electrically conductive material which may be a conductive ink including 6.5-12% carbon powder. The ink may be applied by a printing process. The variation in resistivity may be achieved by varying the thickness of the material. Alternatively, the conductive material may include a number of materials, at least 1 having a different electrical conductivity. The conductive material may be built up of a number of layers, at least 1 of a different material. The thickness of the layers may be different. The lower layer is adjacent the substrate and has a lower resistance than the upper layer. The flexible member may be moulded to conform to a part of the body and...

- ...USE The device can deliver a **therapeutic** or cosmetic agent to the skin of a subject. Cosmetic agents include vitamin A and/or E, or alpha hydroxy acid. Medicinal agents include tetracycline, other **antibiotics**, anti-acne medicaments or anti-toxins. It may also be used to **reduce** cellulite deposits using a caffeine extract, theophylline extract, ginkgo extract, silisium, magnesium and/or gola...
- ...ADVANTAGE The variation in resistivity avoids harmful burning to sensitive skin areas...
- ... Title Terms: VARY ;

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60/3,K/26 DIALOG(R) File 350: Derwent WPIX (c) 2005 Thomson Derwent. All rts. reserv. 011945638 **Image available** WPI Acc No: 1998-362548/199831 XRAM Acc No: C98-111541 XRPX Acc No: N98-283062 Wound healing device - with energy delivery surface positioned in interior of wound and coupled to film positioned around wound Patent Assignee: VIDACARE INT INC (VIDA-N) Inventor: NICHOLIC S; PARKER T L Number of Countries: 079 Number of Patents: 002 Patent Family: Patent No Kind Kind Date Applicat No Date Week WO 9826838 A1 \19980625 WO 97US23589 A / 19971218 / 199831 B 19980715 AU 9857116 AU 9857116 Α Α 19971218 199846 Priority Applications (No Type Date): US 97991711 A 19971217; US 9633672 P 19961218 Patent Details: Patent No Kind Lan Pg Main IPC Filing Notes WO 9826838 A1 E 17 A61N-001/32 Designated States (National): AL AM AT AU AZ BA BB BG BR BY CA CH CN CU CZ DE DK EE ES FI GB GE GH HU ID IL IS JP KE KG KP KR KZ LK LR LS LT LU LV MD MG MK MN MW MX NO NZ PL PT RO RU SD SE SG SI SK SL TJ TM TR TT UA UG US UZ VN YU ZW Designated States (Regional): AT BE CH DE DK EA ES FI FR GB GH GM GR IE IT KE LS LU MC MW NL OA PT SD SE SZ UG ZW AU 9857116 Α A61N-001/32 Based on patent WO 9826838 Wound healing device... with energy delivery surface positioned in interior of wound and coupled to film positioned around wound ... Abstract (Basic): A wound closure device closes and wound and promotes its healing. The device includes a conductive mesh (108) formed to be at least partially inserted into the wound . An energy source (114) is coupled to the meshPreferably the **conductive mesh** is bioabsorbable. It may be covered with a bioactive substance, e.g. collagen glue, which **promotes wour** healing . The energy source may be a battery strip. The energy applied to the wound may be RF energy, light, resistive heating, microwave or ultrasound... ... USE - The device is used to close a woundADVANTAGE - Delivery of the energy results in wound healing . Title Terms: WOUND ; International Patent Class (Main): A61N-001/32 International Patent Class (Additional): A61N-001/04 ...

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  Non-porous collagen gel for wound and burn treatment - has a low
  water content and is in the form of a thin sheet of compact transparent
  structure capable of absorbing 15 times its mass of fluids
Patent Assignee: EURORESEARCH SRL (EURO-N); EURORESEARCH SARL (EURO-N)
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Non-porous collagen gel for wound and burn treatment...

- ...has a low water content and is in the form of a thin sheet of compact transparent structure capable of absorbing 15 times its mass of fluids
- ...Abstract (Basic): A type I collagen gel **film** suitable for the **therapeutic** treatment of **wounds** and **burns** has an H2O content of no

more than 20 wt.%. and is in the form of a **sheet** of thickness 0.02-2mm of compact transparent structure, with a capacity for absorbing aq...

- ...A device suitable for filtering the collagen gel during its prepn. consists of a **metal mesh** of **mesh** size less than 0.1mm and has a puck of parallel plates in the region below the filter **mesh** for the purpose of conveying the filtrate as a continuous liquid **film**.
- ...USE/ADVANTAGE The collagen gel films maintain the rapid cicatrisation characteristics of collagen, at the same time preventing excessive evaporation. Product absorption is considerably longer than when lyophilised collagen (sponge) is used, therefore the gel film need not be replaced as frequently. Excidate loss is lower than when using lyophilised collagen. The bed of the wound can be constantly inspected without having to remove the gel film which is transparent.bl
- ...Abstract (Equivalent): A sheet of type I collagen gel, having molecular structure (alphal(I))2alpha2(I), suitable for the therapeutic cicatrizing treatment of wounds and burns, said sheet being free from native collagen degradation products, having an H2O content not exceeding 20% by weight, a uniform thickness, comprised between 0.02 and 2 mm, said sheet being characterised in that it is of transparent structure, it has an homogeneous structure, it...
- ...aqueous biological liquids limited to a maximum of 15 times its weight and a high **resistance** to enzymatic attack...
- ... Title Terms: WOUND ;

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Electro- therapeutic device...

- ...passes DC current through high impedance living organism so that no excess current flows when resistance of living organism fluctuates
- ...Abstract (Basic): is provided for passing a DC electric current through a living organism by applying a voltage to a living organism. Such device consists of a battery with an internal resistance having high impedance so that any changes in the resistance value of the living organism can be disregarded. By doing so, no excessive flow of 'current is produced even if the resistance of the living organism fluctuates. As a means of providing an internal resistance a high impedance material is used. Other suitable organic solid electrolytes can also be used such as polyether polymers, random copolymers of ethylene oxide and propylene oxide. A sheet type battery utilising a solid electrolyte is desirable, because it can provide excellent flexibility and superior adhesion between the electrode pad and the skin...
- ...electrotherapeutic device prevents excess flow of current, avoids

leakage of liquid from battery and prevents **burns** and other side effects caused by localisation of current density. (8pp Dwg.No.1/4)

- ... Abstract (Equivalent): An electrotherapeutic device for passing an electric current through a living organism by applying a voltage to the living organism, which comprises a sheet -formed battery (5) having an electrolyte (8) therein, and two electrically conductive pads (1, 2) adhering to the skin in use, said battery (5) having a solid electrolyte in combination with a high internal resistance of at least 2k omega by which the overall voltage and current are kept within the range of 1 to 12V, and 0.005 to...
- ...Abstract (Equivalent): to drive a drug into the organism, comprises a battery, for providing a high internal resistance comprising a high electrical resistance solid electrolyte. The battery further comprises a first electrode and a second electrode which electrically connect to opposite sides of the solid electrolyte. A first contact pad is connected to the first electrode. The first contact pad has a first surface for contact to the organism. The first surface has a first surface area. The first contact pad holds a drug. Operation of the electrotherapeutic device administers the drug to the organism...
- ...A second contact pad is connected to the second electrode. The high internal resistance is provided by the solid electrolyte...
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Abstract: Modern wound dressings have been designed to promote wound healing by providing a moist wound environment. Concurrent with the development of these dressings , concern regarding the potential for increased wound colonization and subsequent infection under these dressings has also surfaced. As a result, manufacturers have developed a number of products that claim to help maintain a minimally contaminated wound bed. In an era of rapidly advancing antimicrobial resistance and related calls for the minimization of antibiotic use, silver is gaining increasing popularity as an effective antimicrobial agent. The most intriguing of the new silver -containing products utilize controlled silver release technologies. The antimicrobial efficacies of two of these products, one a film dressing and the other a silver -coated absorbent dressing , were compared against commonly encountered bacterial (including antibiotic -resistant strains) and yeast wound pathogens. The ability of the dressings to prevent bacterial growth after repeated challenge was also examined to derive an indication of the longevity of the dressings ' efficacies. The nanocrystalline silver -coated dressing demonstrated a much faster bactericidal action against a broader spectrum of organisms in these in-vitro comparisons. These encouraging in...

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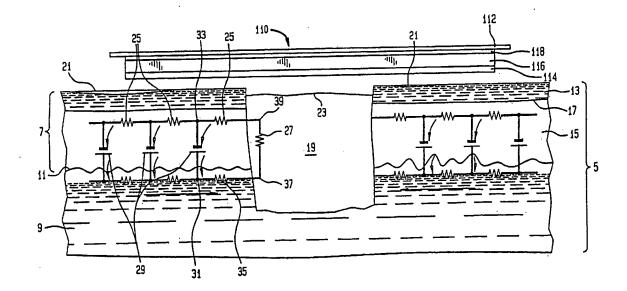
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(57)ABSTRACT

Wound treatment dressings comprising combinations of at least one conductive layer, at least one absorbent layer or a moisture regulation layer, and methods of making and methods of use are disclosed for treatment of wounds in humans and animals. The novel dressings aid in healing by helping restore the transepithelial potential of the skin, providing a functional anti-microbial barrier, and allowing for regulation of the moisture content of the wound without disturbing the wound.





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(54) MULTILAYER CONDUCTIVE APPLIANCE HAVING WOUND HEALING AND ANALGESIC PROPERTIES

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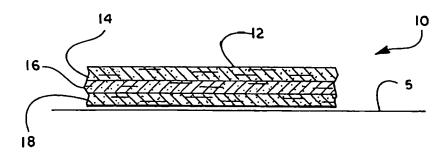
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A dressing for promoting healing and pain relief of the body of a living organism having a pathologic condition has at least one layer of conductive material having a resistance no greater than 1000 Ω/cm². When placed proximate a portion of the body of the living organism suffering from the pathologic condition, the dressing alters the electrodynamic processes occurring in conjunction with said pathologic condition to promote healing and pain relief in the living organism. When used as a wound dressing, the conductive material is placed in contact with tissue around the periphery of the wound and with the wound, lowering the electrical potential and resistance of the wound and increasing the wound current. In an exemplary embodiment, the conductive material is a multi-ply nylon fabric plated with silver by an autocatalytic electroless plating process and with the plies in electrical continuity. The dressing provides an antimicrobial and analgesic effect. The dressing may be provided for numerous applications and may include other layers such as an absorbent layer, a semi-permeable layer and additional layer of conductor material. Multilaminate embodiments of the present invention exhibit conductive material concentration gradients and, potentially, a capacitive effect when sequential conductor layers are insulated by intervening layers.

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[54] MULTILAYER LAMINATE WOUND DRESSING

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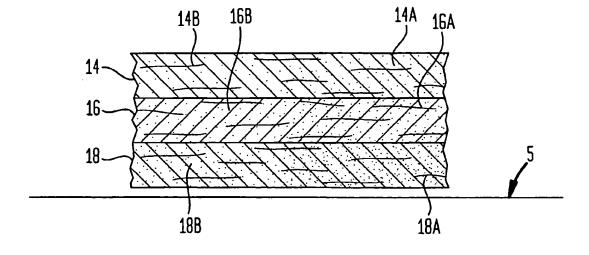
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A multilayer laminate wound dressing comprising a plurality of layers of preferably silver or silver-coated fibers in a woven fabric alternating with layers of nonconductive, preferably nonmetallic, fabric. Each layer preferably contains a different ratio of metalized to nonmetalized fibers. The metalized fibers are preferably made of or coated with silver. The dressing promotes healing by stimulating cellular de-differentiation, followed by cellular proliferation. The dressing also has antibacterial, antifungal and analgesic properties.

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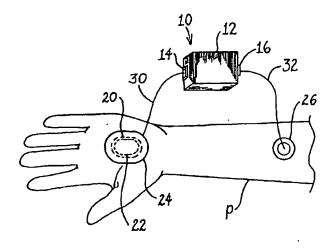
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7] ABSTRACT

An iontophoretic system for promoting tissue healing processes and inducing regeneration. The system includes a device and a method, a composition, and methods for making the composition in vitro and in vivo. The system is implemented by placing a flexible, silver-containing anode in contact with the wound, placing a cathode on intact skin near the anode, and applying a wound-specific DC voltage between the anode and the cathode. Electrically-generated silver ions from the anode penetrate into the adjacent tissues and undergo a sequence of reactions leading to formation of a silver-collagen complex. This complex acts as a biological inducer to cause the formation in vivo of an adequate blastema to support regeneration.

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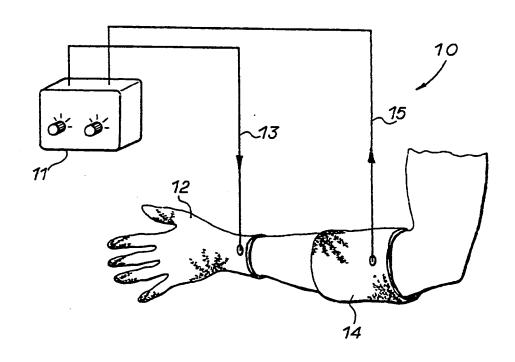
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57] ABSTRACI

An electrical therapeutic apparatus (10) for the treatment of body pain and edema. The apparatus has an electrical pulse producing device (11) coupled to wrap (12) by conductor (13). The wrap is comprised of nylon coated with silver which forms an electrode. A second electrode (14) is coupled by conductors (15) to the device.

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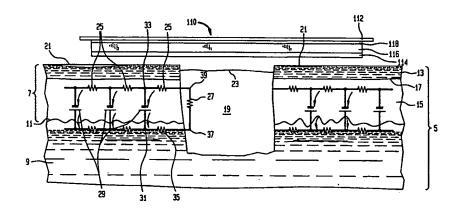
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A dressing (110) for promoting healing and pain relief of the body of a living organism having a pathologic condition has at least one layer of conductive material (114) having a resistance no greater than $1000 \Omega/\text{cm}^2$. When placed proximate a portion of the body of the living organism suffering from the pathologic condition (5), the dressing alters the electrodynamic processes occurring in conjunction with said pathologic condition to promote healing and pain relief in the living organism. When used as a wound dressing, the conductive material (114) is placed in contact with tissue (21) around the periphery of the wound and with the wound (19), lowering the electrical potential (23) and resistance (27) of the wound (19) and increasing the wound current. In an exemplary embodiment, the conductive material (114) is a multi-ply nylon fabric (194) plated with silver by an autocatalytic electroless plating process and with the plies in electrical continuity. The dressing provides an antimicrobial and analgesic effect. The dressing (110) may be provided for numerous applications (130, 150, 160, 170, 180, 184, 200, 210, 220, 230) and may include other layers such as an absorbent layer (116), a semi-permeable layer (118) and additional layer of conductor material (129). Multilaminate embodiments of the present invention (20) exhibit conductive material concentration gradients and, potentially, a capacitive effect when sequential conductor layers (24, 26, 28) are insulated by intervening layers (22).

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Background: Antibiotic-resistant bacteria represent an increasing concern in wound infections. Wound colonization with these organisms normally results in aggressive management of the wound complicated by a greatly limited choice of therapeutic antibiotics. ◆Silver▶ and other noble metals are recognized as potential allies in combating these organisms in wounds. Methods: Three types of topical silver applications were tested to determine their bactericidal efficacies against clinical isolates of antibiotic-resistant organisms. The silver-based applications represent 3 methods of applying silver to wounds: as a liquid (*silver* nitrate), incorporated in a cream (*silver* sulfadiazine) and as a *dressing* coating (*silver*-coated *dressings)*. The reduction in the viable bacterial population recovered from test articles after exposure to \silver\ provided a comparative measure of the bactericidal efficacies of these silver applications. Results: All of the products demonstrated an ability to reduce the number of viable bacteria. However, the methods varied in their efficacy against antibiotic-resistant bacteria, with the \silver\-coated *dressing* being the most efficacious and *silver* nitrate the least efficacious. Conclusions: **♦Silver** was demonstrated to be effective at killing the antibiotic-resistant strains tested. The 4silver -- coated 4dressing was particularly rapid at killing the tested bacteria and was effective against a broader range of bacteria. (Silver) may be a useful prophylactic or

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